

ANTHROPOLOGICAL ANALYSIS OF THE AVAR-PERIOD POPULATION OF SZEKSZÁRD—PALÁNKPU SZTA

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Abstract

In the vicinity of Szekszárd, at Palánpusztá, between the years 1957 and 1960, there were excavated 233 graves from the Avar age. Out of them, the skeletal material of 136 graves could be rescued. The skeletal remains of 27 adult males and 37 females were suitable for being analysed in detail metrically, morphologically, and taxonomically. A result of the taxonomical analysis has been that the group of the brachycephals is together about 46 per cent of the total sample, that of the dolichocephals about 38 per cent. There could be demonstrated, anyway, in a less significant ratio, a Mongoloid racial component, as well. Taking into consideration the archaeological investigations of ÁGNES SALAMON, there were characteristic of the early period of the cemetery the dolicocephalic and Mongoloid components, while of the later period the brachycephals.

In the vicinity of Szekszárd, at Palánpusztá, on a lofty sand-hill salvaging excavations were carried out between 1957 and 1960, directed in the first excavation period by archaeologist GY. KISS and in the later years by archaeologist ÁGNES SALAMON. P. LIPTÁK joined in the excavations, as well (with some interruptions). The plan of a part of the cemetery is, unfortunately, not available. The excavation is but partial; the tempo and direction of the excavation were determined by the points of view of rescue. In the area of the Avar-period cemetery there was found also a Hun-age cemetery from the 5th century, containing artificially deformed crania. In the course of the excavation there were found 233 numbered graves altogether. In some cases, in the absence of the archaeologist directing the excavation, the rescue was carried out by the Museum of Szekszárd; the graves have sometimes got a different numbering or got into the Museum as scattered items. Only the preliminary elaboration of the archaeological finds has taken place (SALAMON, 1968). The history of excavation can be followed in the corresponding volumes of the *Archaeológiai Értesítő* 1958, 1959, 1960, 1961). The skeletal material of graves 234 to 261 could no more be investigated here, in this paper.

ÁGNES SALAMON's comments on the archaeological finds will be published separately.

From the Avar-age cemetery of Szekszárd—Palánk there could be rescued the skeletal remains of 136 graves altogether (Table 1). The state of preservation of the material is beneath the average. The number of fragmentary crania is 38 and in 19 cases there were salvaged only postcranial skeletons. The number of adult and subadult skeletons in good state of preservation is 79. The number of adult crania suitable for detailed metrical analysis is unfortunately low, as compared to the high grave number of the excavation, namely 27 males and 37 females. The considerable female majority came about obviously casually as the excavation

Table 1. Szekszárd—Palánk, avar period: Skeletal material

Characterization of the material		Inf. I.	Inf. II.	Juv.	Ad.	Mat.	Sen.	Total
Fragmentary crania (unmeasured)	Males	—	—	—	4	10	2	16 (42%)
	Females	—	—	—	7	5	—	12 (32%)
	Undeterminable	3	2	3	2	—	—	10 (26%)
	Total:	3	2	3	13	15	2	38
Postcranial skeletons	Males	—	—	1	—	5	—	6 (32%)
	Females	—	—	—	1	5	—	6 (32%)
	Undeterminable	—	1	2	—	4	—	7 (36%)
	Total:	—	1	3	1	14	—	19
Well preserved crania (measured)	Males	—	—	—	10	16	1	27 (34%)
	Females	—	—	1	24	9	4	38 (48%)
	Undeterminable	2	7	5	—	—	—	14 (18%)
	Total:	2	7	6	34	25	5	79
Sum-total:		5 (3,7%)	10 (7,3%)	12 (8,9%)	48 (35,3%)	54 (39,7%)	7 (5,1%)	136

Table 2. Szekszárd—Palánk, avar period

No. of measure- ments (Martin)	Measurements and indices	Males				Females			
		N	V	M	s	N	V	M	s
1.	Glabello-occipital length	21	175—200	184,1	6,18	34	163—183	174,2	4,18
8.	Maximum breadth of cranium	22	128—162	146,1	7,96	35	128—151	141,0	5,84
9.	Minimum frontal breadth	25	89—109	99,3	4,22	35	89—104	95,8	4,03
17.	Basion-bregma height	14	131—144	137,1	3,58	22	118—140	130,3	4,96
38.	Cranial capacity	12	1340—1660	1561,8	101,20	17	1120—1450	1323,8	98,20
45.	Bizygomatic breadth	17	121—147	134,7	6,58	22	118—139	126,7	5,02
47.	Face height	13	106—131	119,6	7,68	23	101—119	110,6	4,71
48.	Upper face height	22	58—81	70,7	5,56	30	58—75	67,1	4,21
72.	Total facial angle	14	77°—91°	83,6	4,86	13	81°—90°	85,6	2,39
8:1	Cranial index	18	68—91	79,3	5,86	30	72—89	81,3	4,66
17:1	Length-height index	12	70—79	74,3	2,89	17	69—82	74,8	3,05
17:8	Breadth-height index	14	80—101	94,2	5,96	20	84—98	93,7	3,96
9:8	Fronto-parietal index	20	61—75	67,3	4,16	30	62—74	68,1	2,86
47:45	Facial index	10	82—97	87,5	4,61	16	82—99	88,1	4,76
48:45	Upper facial index	15	47—57	52,3	3,12	19	46—62	53,9	4,31
52:51	Orbital index	23	70—92	81,8	5,14	28	80—100	87,4	5,51
54:55	Nasal index	19	36—65	49,8	6,18	26	39—59	49,3	4,72
	Calculated stature	27	160—176	167,0	3,97	34	146—165	155,5	4,14

Table 3. Szekszárd—Palánk avar period
Distribution of the principal metrical characters

Characters			Males	Females	Total
8:1 Cranial index	Dolichokranic	70—74,9	3 (17%)	4 (13%)	7 (15%)
	Mesokranic	75—79,9	6 (33%)	8 (27%)	14 (29%)
	Brachykranic	80—84,9	5 (28%)	10 (33%)	15 (31%)
	Hyperbrachykranic	85—89,9	3 (16%)	8 (27%)	11 (23%)
	Ultrabrachykranic	90—x	1 (6%)	—	1 (2%)
Total:			18	30	48
17:1 Length- height index	Chamaekranic	x—69,9	—	1 (6%)	1 (3%)
	Orthokranic	70—74,9	7 (58%)	9 (53%)	16 (55%)
	Hypsikranic	75—x	5 (42%)	7 (41%)	12 (41%)
Total:			12	17	29
17:8 Breadth- height index	Tapeinokranic	x—91,9	4 (29%)	7 (35%)	11 (32%)
	Metriokranic	92—97,9	8 (57%)	12 (60%)	20 (59%)
	Akrokranic	98—x	2 (14%)	1 (5%)	3 (9%)
Total:			14	20	34
9:8 Fronto- parietal index	Stenometopic	x—65,9	7 (35%)	5 (17%)	12 (24%)
	Metriometopic	66—68,9	2 (10%)	11 (37%)	13 (26%)
	Eurymetopic	69—x	11 (55%)	14 (46%)	25 (50%)
Total:			20	30	50
47:45 Facial index	Euryprosopic	80—84,9	2 (20%)	4 (25%)	6 (23%)
	Mesoprosopic	85—89,9	5 (50%)	6 (38%)	11 (42%)
	Leptoprosopic	90—94,9	2 (20%)	5 (31%)	7 (27%)
	Hyperleptoprosopic	95—x	1 (10%)	1 (6%)	2 (8%)
Total:			10	16	26
48:45 Upper facial index	Euryene	45—49,9	3 (20%)	4 (21%)	7 (21%)
	Mesene	50—54,9	7 (47%)	7 (37%)	14 (41%)
	Leptene	55—59,9	5 (33%)	7 (37%)	12 (35%)
	Hyperleptene	60—x	—	1 (5%)	1 (3%)
Total:			15	19	34
52:51 Orbital index	Chamaekonch	x—75,9	2 (9%)	—	2 (4%)
	Mesokonch	76—84,9	14 (61%)	12 (43%)	26 (51%)
	Hypsikonch	85—x	7 (30%)	16 (57%)	23 (45%)
Total:			23	28	51
54:55 Nasal index	Leptorrhine	x—46,9	4 (21%)	7 (27%)	11 (24%)
	Mesorrhine	47—50,9	9 (47%)	8 (31%)	17 (38%)
	Chamaerrhine	51—57,9	4 (21%)	10 (38%)	14 (31%)
	Hyperchamaerrhine	58—x	2 (11%)	1 (4%)	3 (7%)
Total:			19	26	45
38 Cranial capacity	Males		Females		
	Oligencephalic	x—1300	x—1150	—	2 (12%)
	Euencephalic	1301—1450	1151—1300	3 (25%)	3 (18%)
	Aristen cephalic	1451—x	1301—x	9 (75%)	12 (70%)
Total:			12	17	29

Table 3

Characters			Males	Females	Total	
72	Prognathous	70°—79°	4 (29%)	—	4 (15%)	
Total	Mesognathous	80°—84°	4 (29%)	5 (38%)	9 (33%)	
angle facial	Orthognathous	85°—92°	6 (42%)	8 (62%)	14 (52%)	
Total:			14	13	27	
Calculated stature		Males	Females			
	Short	150—159,9	140—148,9	—	2 (6%)	2 (3%)
	Short medium . . .	160—163,9	149—152,9	6 (22%)	4 (12%)	10 (16%)
	Medium . . .	164—166,9	153—155,9	6 (22%)	13 (38%)	19 (31%)
	Tall medium	167—169,9	156—158,9	8 (30%)	6 (18%)	14 (23%)
	Tall	170—179,9	159—167,9	7 (26%)	9 (26%)	16 (26%)
Total:			27	34	61	

was carried out not in a continuous area and, what is more, the uncovered territory is only a part of the cemetery.

The most important parameters are contained in Table 2 and the distribution of the main metric characters in Table 3. The individual metric data of males and females are to be found as an appendix to the paper. The enumeration of the rather numerous fragmentary material is omitted.

The *general characterisation of the series* is given on the basis of males. The cranium is of medium length, medium breadth, the mean of cranial index is approaching the upper limit of mesocrany. On the basis of index categories we can speak of some predominance of mesocrany and brachycrany. The cranium is higher than medium-sized, ortho-hypsicranic, resp. metriocranic. In vertical norm the cranial contour is highly various, with slight preponderance of the ovoid form. The forehead is of medium breadth, as to the transversal-frontoparietal index, the males are in two groups: the stenometopic and eurymetopic ones. The glabella is of 2 to 4 degree (Broca). The value of cranial capacity is, owing to the low case-number, better to be disregarded. The zygomatic arch is of medium breadth, the upper face is of medium height and on the basis of upper-face index mesene. Mesoconchy and mesorrhiny occur very often. The mean value of the facial profile falls to the category of mesognathia but prognathic and orthognathic facial profiles are to be found, as well. The mean of the calculated stature is at the border of medium and tall medium; the most frequent categories are the tall medium and tall stature.

With regard to the higher frequencies, the general characteristics of the females of the sample is more reliable. The cranium is of medium length, of medium breadth. On the basis of the mean of cranial index they are mesocranic; on the basis of index categories the relative preponderance of brachycrany is characteristic. The cranium is higher than medium, being ortho-hypsicranic, resp. metriocranic. With regard to the vertical cranial contour, the firm prevalence of the sphenoid form is characteristic. The forehead is of medium breadth. On the basis of the transversal-frontoparietal index it is metrio-eurymetopic. The glabella is mostly of 1 to 2 degrees (Broca). The cranial capacity is, on the basis of the mean, bigger than medium-sized, aristencephaly is prevalent. The face is of medium breadth, medium height, meso-

leptoprosopic, resp. mesene-leptene. The orbits are, in case of females, considerably high, being prevalently hypsiconchic. In respect of the nasal index, they are more often meso-chamaerhine. The fossa canina agrees with that of males. The facial profile, established in a comparatively low number of cases, is meso-orthognathous. A medium alveolar prognathism is characteristic. The stature is very variable, the most frequent one being the middle-sized and tall stature category.

Table 4. Szekszárd—Palánk, avar period

Taxonomic analysis		Males	Females	Total
Brachycephals	Undetermined (br)	4	9	13 (27%)
	Pamirian (p).....	1	5	6 (13%)
	Alpine, Lappid (a, l).....	—	3	3 (6%)
	Sum-total:	5	17	22 (46%)
Nordic, Atlanto-Mediterranean (n)		7	5	12 (25%)
Gracile-Mediterranean (m)		2	4	6 (13%)
Cromagnoids (crA, crB)		3	1	4 (8%)
Turano-Mongoloids (t, moid)		1	3	4 (8%)
Total:		18	30	48

The result of *taxonomic analysis* is contained in Table 4. The group of Brachycephals (br) amounts together to 46 per cent of the whole series. An undeterminable brachycephalic component prevails, and in addition to that, there can be established Pamirian, Alpine and Lappid elements. In case of females, the Brachycephals are expressly predominating. The Nordoid, that is to say Nordic-Atlantomediterranean (n) taxon is giving together 25 per cent of the series. In case of males, its percentage is more considerable. The gracile Mediterranean (m) race can be demonstrated, too, as a rather considerable component. — Besides the above-mentioned taxons, the Cromagnoids as well as the Turanids and on — in detail not determinable — Mongoloid component can be diagnosed in this series.

It was suitable, to compare the taxonomical analysis — carried out in adult crania of good state of preservation — with the archaeological results. At my request, ÁGNES SALAMON has elaborated the archaeological groups resp. periods, according to graves, established on the basis of her detailed archaeological study, to be published at a future date. The males belonging to the first period are characterized by a stamped plate girdle set; the most numerous is the second or middle group, characterized — together with the third group — by a cast girdle set (griffin and tendril group). As the number of adult skeletons in a good state of preservation is comparatively not high, and as there were graves without any archaeological grave goods or at least without significant ones, the following results have developed for information:

a) the dolichocephals of tall stature are characteristic of the early (stamped plate girdle set) group, and there could be found some individuals showing Mongoloid features, as well, only in that group;

b) the brachycephalic components, among them the representatives of the Pamirian race are first of all characteristic of the "griffin and tendril" group.

Table 5. Szekszárd—Palánk, avar-period: Males (1)

No. of measure- ments (Martin)	Measurements and indices	1. 10 212 Mat.	2. 10 213 Juv-Ad.	(11.) 10 216 Ad.	12. 10 218 Ad.	21. 10 222 Ad.	29. 10 225 Mat.	38. 10 232 Mat.	70. 10 354 Mat.	78. 10 358 Mat.
1.	Glabello-occipital length	181	180	—	—	200	193	178	(175)	—
1c.	Metopium occipital length	—	178	180	—	—	191	188	176	173
5.	Basion-nasion length	—	100	—	—	111	107	104	—	—
8.	Maximum breadth of cranium	146	137	—	—	142	141	162	—	—
9.	Minimum frontal breadth	101	96	98	101	102	106	102	102	97
17.	Basion-bregma height	—	132	—	—	142	137	131	—	—
20.	Porion bregma height	116	111	—	—	115	112	111	—	—
32/1-a.	Frontal angle	47°	48°	—	—	45°	45°	43°	—	—
38.	Cranial capacity	—	1340	—	—	1586	1500	1590	—	—
40.	Sup. facial length	—	92	—	—	111	107	108	—	—
45.	Bizygomatic breadth	(130)	125	—	—	141	142	144	—	—
46.	Maxillar breadth	95	95	—	100	96	—	96	—	92
47.	Total facial height	—	107	131	—	120	—	—	—	116
48.	Upper facial height	67	69	80	67	74	81	75	69	69
51.	Orbital breadth	38	37	38	40	39	42	41	41	39
52.	Orbital height	31	32	35	31	32	35	36	33	35
54.	Nasal breadth	—	—	21	24	24	27	26	25	25
55.	Nasal height	51	48	57	45	52	54	54	47	50
62.	Palatal length	45	—	—	48	57	49	53	—	49
63.	Palatal breadth	—	37	—	46	44	—	—	—	43
65.	Bicondylar-diameter	—	112	—	—	(121)	—	—	—	—
66.	Bigonial-diameter	—	95	—	—	107	—	(108)	—	—
69.	Mental height	(25)	32	38	—	35	—	(32)	—	32
70.	Ramus height	68	57	—	—	76	—	75	—	—
71.	Ramus breadth	—	34	35	—	35	—	34	—	30
72.	Total facial angle	84°	89°	—	—	78°	78°	77°	—	—
8:1	Cranial index	80,7	76,1	—	—	71,0	73,1	91,0	—	—
17:1	Length-height index	—	73,3	—	—	71,0	71,0	73,6	—	—
17:8	Breadth-height index	—	96,4	—	—	100,0	97,2	80,9	—	—
9:8	Transvers. frontopar. index	69,2	70,1	—	—	71,8	75,2	62,9	—	—
47:45	Facial index	—	85,6	—	—	85,1	—	—	—	—
48:45	Upper facial index	—	55,2	—	—	52,5	57,0	52,1	—	—
52:51	Orbital index	81,6	86,5	92,1	77,5	82,1	83,3	87,8	80,5	89,7
54:55	Nasal index	—	—	36,8	53,3	46,2	50,0	48,2	53,2	50,0
63:62	Palatal index	—	—	—	95,8	77,2	—	—	—	87,8
Norma verticalis	Ovoid	Pent.	Ovoid	—	Ell.	Ell.	Szfer.	Szfer.	—	—
Glabella	1	1	2	2—3	3	3	2	2	2	2
Protuberantia occipitalis externa	2	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	—	—
Fossa cania	2	2	1	3	2	2	4	4	2	2
Spina nasalis anterior	2	2	2	2	1	3	3	1	4	4
Alveolar prognathism	3	1	1	2	2	1	2	2	3	3
Calculated stature	—	166	165	—	—	—	170	169	167	167
Taxon	br	—	—	crB	—	n—x	p	—	n—x	n—x

Table 5. Szekszárd—Palánk, avar period: Males (2)

No. of measurements (MARTIN)	99. 10 369 Mat	106. 10 373 Ad.	(124.) 10 380 Mat.	136. 10 392 Ad.	139. 10 395 Ad.	155. 10 399 Mat.	— 10 410 Ad.	— 10 414 Mat.	— 10 415 Mat.	176. 10 417 Mat.	181. 10 419 Mat.
1.	176	178	180	180	183	(193)	—	—	179	185	—
1c.	174	178	177	168	174	—	172	178	174	182	—
5.	105	103	99	—	109	110	99	98	97	(105)	—
8.	148	155	140	155	142	—	136	148	151	158	155
9.	93	97	98	96	89	99	—	103	96	105	109
17.	136	(142)	137	—	136	—	138	137	140	(136)	—
20.	109	—	117	—	112	—	111	118	—	—	—
32/1-a.	45°	—	52°	49°	52°	—	54°	56°	—	—	—
38.	1489	(1647)	1423	—	1396	—	—	—	1553	(1657)	—
40.	98	—	102	—	(107)	105	95	91	—	—	—
45.	135	—	135	147	133	—	129	130	—	—	—
46.	103	—	102	108	99	99	94	101	—	99	—
47.	115	—	124	124	114	125	106	—	—	—	—
48.	69	—	75	72	63	78	65	70	—	66	(68)
51.	40	33	40	39	39	44	39	45	—	42	40
52.	32	30	35	34	31	32	30	—	—	33	33
54.	27	—	25	28	26	26	26	25	—	—	26
55.	45	—	50	45	—	52	46	—	—	—	—
62.	53	—	52	55	52	55	48	48	—	52	52
63.	—	—	44	44	41	42	40	—	—	—	—
65.	—	—	123	136	126	—	109	—	—	—	—
66.	—	104	101	115	108	111	107	—	—	101	—
69.	(29)	38	40	34	32	39	29	—	—	(26)	—
70.	—	65	72	63	75	70	75	—	—	62	—
71.	—	27	35	32	33	33	32	—	—	32	33
72.	85°	—	81°	89°	81°	—	80°	(90°)	—	—	—
8:1	84,1	87,1	77,8	86,1	77,6	—	—	—	84,4	85,4	—
17:1	77,3	79,8	76,1	—	73,8	—	—	—	78,2	73,5	—
17:8	91,9	91,6	97,9	—	95,1	—	101,5	92,6	92,7	86,1	—
9:8	62,8	62,6	70,0	61,9	62,7	—	—	69,6	63,6	66,5	70,3
47:45	85,2	—	91,9	84,4	85,7	—	82,2	—	—	—	—
48:45	51,1	—	55,6	49,0	47,4	—	50,4	53,9	—	—	—
52:51	80,0	90,9	87,5	87,2	79,5	72,7	76,9	—	—	78,6	82,5
54:55	50,9	—	48,1	50,9	59,6	47,3	54,2	52,1	—	—	50,0
63:62	—	—	88,0	97,8	—	80,8	86,9	—	—	—	—
Norma verticalis	Pent.	Szfer.	Ell.	Szfer.	Ovoid	Ovoid	Pent.	Szfen.	Ovoid	Pent.	Szfer.
Glabella	3	4	4—5	3	4	4	4	—	5	2	3
Prot. occ. ext.	2	0	2	0	0	—	1	3	1	0	—
Fossa canina	3	—	5	1	2	3	3	3	—	4	2
Spina nas. ant.	2	—	4	2	1	1	2	—	—	1	1
Alv. prognathism	3	—	2	2	2	2	2	1	—	2	2
Termet	166	160	—	—	—	166	—	—	—	—	—
Taxon	br—x	—	m—n	t—x	(?)—moid	n	m—cr	—	br	crB	—

Table 5. Szekszárd—Palánk, avar period: Males (3)

No. of measurements (MARTIN)	188/2. 10 425 Ad.	195. 10 429 Mat.	209. 11 642 Sen.	211. 11 644 Ad.	213. 11 645 Mat.	225. 11 653 Mat.
1.	187	183	186	186	190	187
1c.	191	177	179	186	185	183
5.	—	105	—	(110)	—	105
8.	128	140	150	149	145	141
9.	95	98	96	101	102	99
17.	—	—	—	144	—	132
20.	117	—	—	119	—	118
32/1-a.	52°	—	—	49°	—	48°
38.	—	—	—	1660	—	1595
40.	—	95	—	(95)	—	93
45.	121	131	(133)	(133)	141	135
46.	90	94	—	97	—	99
47.	—	115	—	126	—	131
48.	58	70	—	75	—	(77)
51.	41	43	—	46	42	45
52.	29	33	(34)	36	35	38
54.	28	25	—	23	—	24
55.	43	50	—	59	—	55
62.	—	—	—	—	—	(55)
63.	—	40	—	40	—	—
65.	—	—	—	125	—	119
66.	—	—	—	103	—	108
69.	—	—	—	(35)	—	35
70.	—	70	—	72	—	67
71.	—	32	—	32	—	28
72.	79°	—	—	88°	—	(91°)
8:1	68,5	76,5	80,7	80,1	76,3	75,4
17:1	—	—	—	77,4	—	70,6
17:8	—	—	—	96,6	—	93,6
9:8	74,2	70,0	64,0	67,8	70,3	70,2
47:45	—	87,8	—	(94,7)	—	97,0
48:45	47,9	53,4	—	(56,4)	—	(57,0)
52:51	70,7	76,7	—	78,3	83,3	84,4
54:55	65,1	50,0	—	39,0	—	43,6
63:62	—	—	—	—	—	—
Norma verticalis	Ell.	Ovoid	Szphen.	Szphen.	Szphen.	Ovoid
Glabella	2	3	2	3	2	2
Prot. occ. ext.	0	1	0	0	—	1
Fossa canina	4	2	3	2	3	3
Spina nas. ant.	1	2	—	2	2	—
Av. prognathism	3	2	—	1	2	—
Stature	—	173	162	169	176	170
Taxon	crA—x	n—x	—	br—x	n—x	n

Table 6. Szekszárd—Palánk, avar period: Females (1)

No. of measure- ments (MARTIN)	Measurements and indices	(13.) 10 219 Mat.	15. 12 220 Ad.	20. 10 221 Ad.	30. 10 226 Ad.	32. 10 228 Ad.	37. 10 231 Mat-Sen.	44. 10 235 Ad.	45. 10 236 Ad.	49. 10 353 Ad.
1.	Glabello-occipital length	—	175	(181)	168	171	173	169	—	179
1c.	Metopion-occipital length	173	173	—	165	171	175	164	—	180
5.	Basion-nasion length	93	—	—	97	91	97	100	92	97
8.	Maximum breadth of cranium ..	140	144	140	140	131	141	132	140	140
9.	Minimum frontal breadth	98	101	—	96	93	99	92	98	94
17.	Basion-bregma height	130	—	—	128	128	127	124	130	134
20.	Porion bregma height	112	—	—	111	109	113	—	111	—
32/1-a.	Frontal angle	48°	—	—	48°	52°	49°	—	43°	—
38.	Cranial capacity	1326	—	—	1240	1171	1326	1134	—	1423
40.	Sup. facial length	(86)	—	—	98	84	92	—	90	—
45.	Bizygomatic breadth	130	—	—	—	122	128	—	118	—
46.	Maxillar breadth	95	92	89	96	91	88	—	90	—
47.	Total facial height	—	—	—	115	114	109	—	101	—
48.	Upper facial height	—	68	—	73	67	67	—	58	62
51.	Orbital breadth	38	39	37	39	36	40	—	37	37
52.	Orbital height	31	35	34	36	33	32	—	33	31
54.	Nasal breadth	(26)	24	25	24	26	25	—	22	—
55.	Nasal height	49	49	—	51	57	48	—	39	—
62.	Palatal length	—	45	—	44	42	44	—	—	—
63.	Palatal breadth	44	37	39	41	—	38	—	40	44
65.	Bicondylar-diameter	—	—	—	116	112	—	—	110	—
66.	Bigonial-diameter	—	—	—	98	—	—	—	92	(95)
69.	Mental height	—	—	(33)	33	29	30	28	27	29
70.	Ramus height	—	—	63	61	67	—	52	65	—
71.	Ramus breadth	—	—	35	34	27	27	28	30	31
72.	Total facial angle	88°	—	—	81°	85°	85°	—	83°	—
8:1	Cranial index	—	82,3	77,4	83,3	76,6	81,5	78,1	—	78,2
17:1	Length-height index	—	—	—	76,2	74,9	73,4	73,4	—	74,9
17:8	Breadth-height index	92,9	—	—	91,4	97,7	90,1	93,9	92,9	95,7
9:8	Transvers. . frontopar. index ...	70,0	70,1	—	68,6	71,0	70,2	69,7	70,0	67,1
47:45	Facial index	—	—	—	—	93,4	85,2	—	85,6	—
48:45	Upper facial index	—	—	—	—	54,9	52,3	—	49,2	—
52:51	Orbital index	81,6	89,7	91,9	92,3	91,7	80,0	—	89,2	83,8
54:55	Nasal index	53,1	49,0	—	47,1	45,6	52,1	—	56,4	—
63:62	Palatal index	—	82,2	—	93,2	—	86,4	—	—	—
Norma verticalis	Ovoid	Pent.	Ell.	Szfer.	Szfen.	Ovoid	Pent.	Szfen.	Ell.	
Glabella	1	2	—	1	1	1	2	1	2	
Protuberantia occipitalis externa	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	
Fossa canina	1	3	3	2	2	3	—	3	2	
Spina nasalis anterior	—	1	1	3	1	2	—	—	1	
Alveolar prognathism	1	2	3	2	1	2	2	2	3	
Calculated stature	—	—	—	153	155	155	151	—	—	153
Taxon	moid	(br(p)	—	br(p)	n	br—x	—	br	crA	

Table 6. Szekszárd—Palánk, avar period: Females (2)

No. of measurements (MARTIN)	73. 10 355 Ad.	74. 10 356 Ad.	86. 10 362 Mat.	95. 10 366 Mat.	97. 10 367 Ad.	98. 10 368 Mat.	125. 10 382 Ad.	134. 10 390 Mat.	137. 10 393 Ad.	146. 10 397 Mat.	158. 10 400 Ad.
1.	171	174	166	181	—	169	179	174	170	175	—
1c.	164	171	164	184	—	169	177	170	164	174	—
5.	(91)	101	—	—	99	100	96	101	100	—	—
8.	136	141	129	134	141	—	(135)	146	145	128	—
9.	89	94	93	93	92	90	93	102	97	95	96
17.	(118)	131	—	—	139	129	128	133	140	—	—
20.	—	108	—	—	—	—	—	111	121	109	—
32/1-a.	—	44°	—	—	—	—	—	46°	51°	46°	—
38.	(1120)	1326	—	—	—	—	(1258)	1409	1409	—	—
40.	(92)	95	—	—	93	96	91	96	98	—	—
45.	123	128	121	(118)	(123)	—	—	129	128	123	—
46.	91	93	82	92	88	87	89	92	95	—	—
47.	103	109	111	(117)	115	104	—	114	117	—	—
48.	65	68	67	73	73	67	(61)	75	69	69	68
51.	37	—	35	40	38	38	37	39	39	39	38
52.	33	32	34	33	38	33	30	36	33	33	34
54.	23	24	24	24	24	24	25	25	25	22	—
55.	48	48	50	51	52	45	42	57	47	52	51
62.	44	44	—	—	43	42	43	45	44	—	—
63.	36	44	—	—	42	35	—	40	42	—	—
65.	(113)	—	—	—	112	117	—	115	111	126	—
66.	(88)	—	—	(91)	96	91	—	101	94	—	—
69.	25	32	—	39	29	32	—	32	32	27	—
70.	58	62	66	58	66	59	—	65	71	64	—
71.	30	32	26	30	28	30	—	28	34	29	—
72.	—	84°	—	—	—	—	—	83°	84°	88°	—
8:1	79,5	81,0	77,7	74,0	—	—	75,4	83,9	85,3	73,1	—
17:1	69,0	77,0	—	—	—	76,3	71,5	76,4	82,4	—	—
17:8	86,8	92,9	—	—	98,6	—	94,8	91,1	96,6	—	—
9:8	65,4	66,7	72,1	69,4	65,3	—	68,9	69,9	66,9	74,2	—
47:45	83,7	85,3	91,7	99,2	93,5	—	—	88,4	91,4	—	—
48:45	52,8	53,1	55,4	62,4	59,4	—	—	58,1	53,9	56,1	—
52:51	89,2	—	97,1	82,5	100,0	86,8	81,1	92,3	84,6	84,6	89,5
54:55	47,9	50,0	48,0	47,1	46,2	53,3	59,5	43,9	53,2	42,3	—
63:62	81,8	100,0	—	—	97,7	83,3	—	88,9	95,5	—	—
Norma verticalis	Szfen.	Szfer.	Szfen.	Pent.	Ell.	Szfen.	Ovoid	Pent.	Szfen.	Ell.	—
Glabella	2	1	1	1—2	2	1	3	1	2	2	1
Prot. occ. ext.	0	0	1	1	—	0	0	0	0	1	—
Fossa canina	3	2	3	4	3	2	3	2	1	1	2
Spina nas. ant.	1	2	—	3	1	1	2	1	4	2	1
Alv. prognathism	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	3
Calculated stature	—	157	—	—	154	159	150	158	155	154	—
Taxon	m—x	br—x	m—x	n	br(?)	n—x	m—x	t	p	m	(moid)

Table 6. Szekszárd—Palánk, avar period: Females (3)

No. of measurements (MARTIN)	166. 10 405 Ad.	167. 10 406 Juv-Ad.	I. 10 237 Ad.	5. 10 409 Sen.	— 10 411 Ad.	177. 10 418 Mat.	180. 10 435 Ad.	183. 10 421 Ad.	184. 10 422 Ad.	188/1. 10 437 Mat.	192. 10 438 Ad.
1.	182	—	170	172	175	166	179	183	—	182	177
1c.	181	—	169	173	173	—	177	182	—	182	173
5.	—	—	99	104	103	(92)	—	101	—	—	—
8.	—	—	139	147	140	(142)	151	136	—	141	146
9.	—	95	92	95	100	—	94	97	89	104	100
17.	—	125	136	134	131	—	—	133	—	—	—
20.	—	—	110	113	115	—	—	—	—	—	111
32/1-a.	—	—	44°	51°	50°	—	—	—	—	—	53°
38.	—	—	1335	1453	1335	—	—	1359	—	—	—
40.	—	—	88	—	96	—	—	90	—	—	—
45.	—	(128)	123	135	—	—	—	(127)	—	—	128
46.	90	92	85	109	—	102	—	92	86	—	94
47.	(112)	113	105	—	115	112	—	105	107	—	119
48.	70	72	70	—	70	—	—	62	64	—	69
51.	—	40	38	38	40	38	—	—	—	—	38
52.	—	33	37	31	33	31	—	—	32	—	33
54.	—	25	21	—	27	—	—	—	24	—	27
55.	57	49	53	51	50	49	—	46	47	—	49
62.	—	45	40	—	44	—	—	—	—	—	—
63.	—	40	40	44	43	—	—	38	38	—	42
65.	(121)	—	—	—	—	124	—	—	—	119	—
66.	96	—	95	—	—	96	—	92	92	96	100
69.	29	31	28	—	31	33	25	25	32	—	33
70.	62	63	59	—	65	59	61	62	67	67	71
71.	27	29	28	—	33	35	27	28	30	30	30
72.	—	—	86°	—	90°	—	—	—	—	—	87°
8:1	—	—	81,8	85,5	80,0	85,5	84,4	74,3	—	77,5	82,5
17:1	—	—	80,0	77,9	74,9	—	—	72,7	—	—	—
17:8	—	—	97,8	91,7	93,6	—	—	97,8	—	—	—
9:8	—	—	66,2	64,6	71,4	—	62,3	71,3	—	73,8	68,5
47:45	—	88,3	85,4	—	—	—	—	82,7	—	—	93,0
48:45	—	56,3	56,9	—	—	—	—	48,8	—	—	53,9
52:51	—	82,5	97,4	81,6	82,5	81,6	—	—	—	—	86,8
54:55	—	51,0	39,6	—	54,0	—	—	—	51,1	—	55,1
63:62	—	88,9	100,0	—	97,7	—	—	—	—	—	—
Norma verticalis	Szfen.	—	Pent.	Szfen.	Ovoid	Szfer.	Pent.	Szfen.	Szfen.	Szfen.	Szfen.
Glabella	1	1	1	2	2	1—2	2	1	1	1	2
Prot. occ. ext.	0	—	2	0	0	0	0	0	—	0	0
Fossa canina	2	4	3	1	2	2	—	1	3	3	2
Spina nas. ant.	1	1	2	—	1	—	—	1	1	1	—
Alv. prognathism	2	3	1	—	2	—	—	3	3	3	2
Calculated stature	159	—	—	—	—	—	155	155	—	153	162
Taxon	n—x	—	br(p)	p	a—x	br—x	—	n—x	—	—	br

Table 6. Szekszárd-Palánk, avar period: Females (4)

No. of measure- ments (MARTIN)	193. 10 428 Ad.	196. 10 439 Sen.	198. 10 440 Ad.	200. 10 431 Sen.	215/B. 11 647 Ad.	230. 11 654 Ad.
1.	170	171	183	168	—	—
1c.	172	166	173	169	—	—
5.	95	—	104	—	—	—
8.	150	148	149	145	—	(144)
9.	99	101	103	98	91	90
17.	127	—	126	—	—	—
20.	111	—	—	—	—	—
32/1-a.	50°	—	—	—	—	—
38.	1409	—	1370	—	—	—
40.	90	—	—	—	—	—
45.	(127)	(139)	135	129	—	126
46.	91	84	—	—	88	92
47.	107	—	—	—	102	107
48.	59	(64)	65	71	64	66
51.	39	38	—	—	44	36
52.	36	33	33	35	37	34
54.	23	25	—	25	24	20
55.	46	49	48	55	48	48
62.	—	—	—	—	44	44
63.	40	—	—	—	41	40
65.	114	—	—	128	116	106
66.	90	—	—	103	(87)	95
69.	30	25	—	29	27	26
70.	61	68	59	65	66	59
71.	28	29	32	31	26	27
72.	88	—	—	—	—	—
8:1	88,2	86,6	81,4	86,3	—	—
17:1	74,7	—	68,8	—	—	—
17:8	84,7	—	84,6	—	—	—
9:8	66,0	68,2	69,1	67,6	—	(62,5)
47:45	84,3	—	—	—	—	84,9
48:45	46,5	—	48,2	55,0	—	52,4
52:51	92,3	86,8	—	—	84,1	94,4
54:55	50,0	51,0	—	45,5	50,0	41,7
63:62	—	—	—	—	93,2	90,9
Norma verticalis	Szfen.	Szfer.	Szfen.	Szfen.	Ell.	Szfen.
Glabella	1	3	2	1	4	1
Prot. occ. ext.	1	1	0	0	3	0
Fossa canina	4	2	3	2	4	3
Spina nas. ant.	4	—	—	—	2	2
Alv. prognathism	2	—	2	2	2	3
Calculated stature	148	156	158	156	156	150
Taxon.	1—a	br—x	br—cr	br	—	a—x

Table 7. Szekszárd—Palánk, avar period: Subadults and infants (1)

No. of measure- ments (MARTIN)	Measurements and indices	4. 10 214 Juv.	43. 10 234 Inf. II.	63. 10 349 Juv.	67. 10 352 Inf. II.	76. 10 383 Inf. II.	84. 10 360 Inf. II.	101. 10 371 Juv.	129. 10 387 Juv.	160. 10 401 Inf. I.
1.	Glabello-occipital length	172	167	179	175	—	—	177	—	147
5.	Basion-nasion length	97	92	94	98	94	—	95	—	—
8.	Maximum breadth of cranium ..	134	—	142	136	136	139	133	(146)	136
9.	Minimum frontal breadth	90	91	93	98	94	95	96	98	—
17.	Basion-bregma height	139	128	128	—	122	—	122	—	—
40.	Sup. facial length	96	91	—	93	95	—	88	—	—
45.	Bizygomatic breadth	121	—	121	—	—	116	123	132	—
47.	Total facial height	105	94	108	100	—	—	—	(113)	75
48.	Upper facial height	66	57	64	62	63	61	64	(72)	45
51.	Orbital breadth	37	36	—	37	38	35	35	(38)	32
52.	Orbital height	31	32	36	31	32	33	31	(34)	(28)
54.	Nasal breadth	22	27	22	22	22	28	24	—	18
55.	Nasal height	49	41	46	47	46	47	45	—	34
62.	Palatal length	48	—	—	42	—	—	—	—	—
63.	Palatal breadth	38	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
65.	Bicondylar-diameter	110	(103)	114	—	—	—	—	106	87
66.	Bigonial-diameter	85	83	93	—	—	—	—	95	—
69.	Mental height	30	26	30	27	—	—	—	33	20
70.	Ramus height	53	37	58	52	—	—	—	61	40
71.	Ramus breadth	33	37	28	33	—	—	—	30	21
8:1	Cranial index	77,9	—	79,3	77,7	—	—	75,1	—	92,5
17:1	Length-height index	80,8	76,7	71,5	—	—	—	68,9	—	—
17:8	Breadth-height index	103,7	—	90,1	—	89,7	—	91,7	—	—
9:8	Transvers. frontopar. index	67,2	—	65,5	72,1	69,1	68,4	72,2	67,1	64,7
47:45	Facial index	86,8	—	89,3	—	—	—	—	85,6	—
48:45	Upper facial index	54,6	—	52,9	—	—	52,6	52,0	54,6	—
52:51	Orbital index	83,8	88,9	—	83,8	84,2	94,3	88,6	89,5	87,5
54:55	Nasal index	44,9	65,9	47,8	46,8	47,8	59,6	53,3	—	52,9
63:62	Palatal index	79,2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

Table 7. Szekszárd—Palánk, avar period: Subadults and infants (2)

No. of measurements (MARTIN)	164. 10404 Juv.	182. 10420 Inf. I.	186. 10423 Inf. II.	203. 10432 Inf. II.	— 10412 Inf. II.	— 10413 Juv.
1.	177	161	—	156	168	184
5.	—	—	86	84	88	—
8.	143	135	141	132	145	136
9.	101	95	92	92	95	92
17.	—	—	118	125	115	—
40.	—	—	85	82	83	—
45.	126	—	113	106	121	114
47.	114	—	89	85	—	—
48.	66	—	54	49	58	62
51.	38	—	34	36	38	38
52.	32	—	31	30	30	32
54.	25	—	—	24	25	21
55.	47	—	40	35	42	43
62.	47	—	—	—	—	41
63.	40	—	—	—	—	36
65.	122	89	105	—	—	—
66.	103	76	—	—	—	—
69.	30	24	22	24	—	—
70.	67	38	—	50	—	—
71.	33	—	27	25	—	—
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8:1	80,8	83,9	—	84,6	86,3	73,9
17:1	—	—	—	80,1	68,5	—
17:8	—	—	83,7	94,7	79,4	—
9:8	70,6	70,4	65,3	69,7	65,5	67,7
47:45	90,5	—	78,8	80,2	—	—
48:45	52,4	—	47,8	46,2	47,9	54,4
52:51	84,2	—	91,2	83,3	78,9	84,2
54:55	53,2	—	—	68,6	59,5	48,8
63:62	85,1	—	—	—	—	87,8

Table 8. Szekszárd—Palánk, avar period: Measurements of long bones. Males

Grave N ^o	Inventory N ^o	Femur				Tibia		Humerus		Radius		Ulna		Calcu- lated stature
		greatest length		length in natural position										
		right	left	right	left	right	left	right	left	right	left	right	left	
(11.)	10 216	—	—	—	—	361	367	323	321	—	—	—	—	165
29.	10 225	510	—	506	—	434	—	373	—	—	—	—	—	—
38.	10 232	—	474	—	469	381	384	—	—	—	—	—	—	170
53.	10 343	457	—	455	—	387	—	323	—	—	—	—	—	168
59.	10 346	477	477	472	474	385	386	—	—	—	—	—	—	171
70.	10 354	466	464	464	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	275	169
77.	10 357	—	—	—	—	—	362	—	—	—	—	—	—	165
78.	10 358	455	451	(455)	448	358	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	164
93.	10 365	440	439	438	434	360	361	(319)	—	248	—	—	—	164
99.	10 369	—	473	—	469	368	368	—	—	—	—	—	—	166
104.	10 372	432	436	427	431	—	362	—	—	—	—	—	—	163
106.	10 373	410	408	407	414	326	334	298	301	—	—	279	—	160
110.	10 375	—	—	—	—	372	381	—	—	—	—	—	—	169
112.	10 377	—	460	—	457	382	380	—	335	—	(255)	—	—	170
122.	10 378	458	466	455	461	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	168
155.	10 399	450	447	444	441	360	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	166
168.	10 407	481	484	476	478	(382)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	172
181.	10 419	420	—	419	—	339	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	160
195.	10 429	(464)	—	(462)	—	402	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	173
201.	10 442	466	473	466	472	379	374	336	332	254	254	—	—	169
204.	10 433	420	425	415	419	347	346	—	—	—	—	—	—	161
209.	11 642	—	—	—	—	—	352	—	—	228	232	—	—	162
211.	11 644	—	(451)	—	(451)	393	391	334	328	—	(244)	—	—	176
213.	11 645	—	481	—	480	408	411	362	—	273	—	293	266	169
218.	11 649	—	446	—	443	362	(363)	—	(314)	—	—	—	—	165
222.	11 652	449	452	449	451	393	395	325	324	252	—	270	—	168
225.	11 653	460	467	457	463	381	383	—	—	257	—	273	—	170

Table 9. Szekszárd—Palánk, avar period: Measurements of long bones. Females

Grave Nº	Inventory Nº	Femur				Tibia		Humerus		Radius		Ulna		Calcu- lated stature
		greatest length		length in natural position		right	left	right	left	right	left	right	left	
		right	left	right	left									
2.	10 213	—	—	—	—	—	—	331	325	—	—	—	—	165
30.	10 226	412	408	409	(403)	336	336	285	285	218	216	—	234	153
32.	10 228	421	425	416	418	—	339	—	—	—	—	—	—	155
33.	10 229	451	451	445	—	375	—	311	—	—	—	—	—	161
37.	10 231	420	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	155
44.	10 235	401	401	399	(394)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	151
52.	10 342	408	—	404	—	338	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	153
55.	10 344	—	415	—	407	—	333	—	—	—	—	—	—	154
64.	10 350	437	439	434	434	—	345	(318)	325	230	232	255	256	159
69.	10 353	400	401	396	396	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	153
74.	10 356	428	431	426	428	—	357	—	312	—	309	—	255	157
97.	10 367	419	—	417	—	340	338	—	—	—	231	—	—	154
98.	10 368	445	438	(435)	434	360	357	—	—	—	—	—	—	159
125.	10 382	—	393	—	390	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	150
134.	10 390	430	432	425	427	354	356	—	314	—	238	—	—	158
137.	10 393	423	421	420	417	—	262	302	298	236	—	259	255	155
146.	10 397	—	—	—	—	—	—	299	—	—	—	—	—	154
149.	10 398	378	—	373	—	305	—	268	268	—	—	—	—	146
166.	10 405	439	441	435	434	—	355	—	—	—	—	—	—	159
3.	10 408	—	—	—	—	326	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	152
180.	10 435	423	417	421	417	—	—	305	290	226	217	—	—	155
183.	10 421	419	419	416	416	—	344	—	301	225	226	—	—	155
184.	10 422	442	442	(432)	436	—	359	(309)	—	245	—	—	—	159
188/1.	10 437	411	—	408	—	323	293	—	—	—	—	—	—	153
192.	10 438	465	470	461	466	—	—	322	315	—	242	—	266	162
193.	10 428	387	389	382	385	—	—	289	—	—	—	—	—	148
196.	10 439	425	—	421	—	341	—	—	—	—	—	452	—	156
197.	10 430	—	—	—	—	332	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	153
198.	10 440	—	437	—	433	—	351	—	—	—	(225)	—	—	158
200.	10 431	430	428	428	426	354	350	300	296	—	(230)	—	—	156
202.	10 443	454	460	450	454	365	367	—	325	244	237	264	—	162
215/b.	10 647	423	428	419	424	359	356	290	292	—	—	—	—	156
217.	11 648	453	450	449	447	—	382	—	(312)	—	—	—	—	161
230.	11 654	385	388	380	380	—	317	289	284	—	217	—	233	150

There is, consequently, also an anthropological difference between the first, as well as the second and third contracted groups of the archaeological investigation. A similar phenomenon can be observed in other cemeteries from the Avar period, as well.

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